

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Alison Lewey)	Date: April 13, 2007
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Serial No. 10/719,851)	Group Art Unit: 1615
)	
Filed: 11/24/2003)	Examiner: Neil Levy
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For: Insect Repellent Composition)	
Containing Essential Oils)	

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action from Examiner Neil Levy dated April 9, 2007, and following a telephone conference between counsel for Applicant and Examiner Levy on April 13, 2007, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention claimed in Claims 3 and 4 and Claims 6 through 15, without traverse.

In further response, Applicant amends the application identified above as follows: cancel Claims 1, 2, and 5; amend Claim 3 to make it an independent claim and to include the limitations of the claims from which it currently depends; and amend Claim 4 to make it an independent claim and to include the limitations of the claims from which it currently depends. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

In further response, Applicant elects for prosecution on the merits if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, without traverse, the species of the invention minimally defined by Claim 4, and optionally by one or more of Claims 6 through 15 in addition to Claim 4.

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Remarks addressing the Detailed Action set forth in the April 9, 2007 Office Action begin on page 6 of this paper.

A clean copy of the amended Claims is included herewith commencing on a separate sheet as required by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.75(h) and 1.121(c).